

AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 STEPHENSON E W JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION  
 [ASO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1900 5TH AVENUE NORTH  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/03/2006

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Sr Executive Vice President

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	04/03/2006		A	6,160 A \$ 27.48	93,830	D	
Common Stock					6,354.6866 (1)	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock					64,000 (2)	I	By Spouse
Common Stock					85,421	I	By Trust

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.48	04/03/2006		A	74,500	04/02/2007 <sup>(3)</sup> 04/02/2016	Common Stock	74,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STEPHENSON E W JR 1900 5TH AVENUE NORTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203			Sr Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

By: Michelle Bridges - Attorney in Fact  
Date: 04/04/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Between December 31, 2005 and March 31, 2006, the reporting person acquired 230,437 shares of AmSouth Bancorporation's common stock held in the reporting person's account in the AmSouth Stock Fund of the AmSouth Thrift Plan.
- (2) Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (3) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on April 2, 2007.

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